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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

HUGH G. WATSON M.B., Ch.B.

for the year

- 1956 -

RURAL DISTRICT OF BAKEWELL.

Report of the Medical Officer of Health, H. G. WATSON M.B., Ch.B.,

1956

To:-

The Chairman and Members of the Bakewell Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I present, as under, my Annual Report as Medical Officer of Health on the sanitary circumstances and vital statistics affecting the Rural District of Bakewell for the year 1956.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS
OF THE AREA.

Area	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	82,437 acres
Population - Estimated by the Registrar General								
(Mid-year 1956)						...	...	18,930
Population - Census 1931	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19,282
Population - Census 1921	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19,537
Rateable Value - April 1957	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£163,942
Product of Penny Rate (ascertained) year ending								
March 1957						...	...	£677 : 12 : 6d.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR

BIRTHS.

Total. Male. Female.

Live Births

Legitimate	227	125	102
Illegitimate	6	2	4

233	127	106
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Birth Rate per 1000 of the Estimated Population - 13.66

Still Births

Total. Male. Female.

Legitimate	5	2	3
Illegitimate	-	-	-

5	2	3
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Still Birth Rate per 1000 Live Births - 21.45

DEATHS.

Total. Male. Female.

236	118	118
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Death Rate per 1000 of the Estimated Population - 11.43

INFANT MORTALITY.

Deaths of Infants under 1 year :-

				Total.	Male.	Female.
Legitimate	...	...	...	7	5	2
Illegitimate	...	...	...	-	-	-
				7	5	2

Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age :-

				Total.	Male.	Female.
Legitimate	...	...	...	4	3	1
Illegitimate	...	...	...	-	-	-
				4	3	1

Infant Mortality Rate :

All Infants per 1000 live births	30.04
Legitimate infants per 1000 legitimate live births	30.04
Illegitimate infants per 1000 illegitimate live births	0


Births, Deaths and Infant Mortality for Six Years.

Year	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
Birth Rate	14.14	13.32	12.35	13.89	12.08	13.66
Death Rate (all causes)	15.18	13.74	10.39	13.26	12.23	11.43
Deaths under 1 year (all causes per 1000 live births)	25.7	15.81	35.43	30.30	13.1	30.04

TABLE SHOWING CERTAIN VITAL STATISTICS AS COMPARED WITH OTHER AREAS IN ENGLAND AND WALES.

	England and Wales	London	Bakewell Rural District
Live Birth Rate (per 1000 population)	15.7	14.3	13.66
Death Rate (per 1000 population)	11.7	8.4	11.43
Infant Mortality (Deaths under 1 year per 1000 live births)	23.8	17.0	30.04

These figures conform to the general run of such in recent years.



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INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

CASES NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR 1956

						<u>Notified</u>	<u>No. of cases</u>	
							<u>Removed to Hospital.</u>	
Tuberculosis - Pulmonary	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Other Forms	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	4
Smallpox :-								
No. vaccinated and re-vaccinated	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
No. vaccinated in infancy	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
No. unvaccinated	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	...	...	40	...	9
Diphtheria	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
Enteric Fever :-								
Typhoid	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
Para-typhoid	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
Cerebro-spinal Fever	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
Meningococcal Meningitis	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
Erysipelas	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
Acute Encephalitis :-								
Infective	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
Post-infective	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
Acute Polio-myelitis :-								
Paralytic	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
Non-paralytic	...	...	...	...	...	-	...	-
Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	2
Measles	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	-
Whooping Cough	...	...	...	...	...	30	...	-
Other Diseases	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	-

CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES AT VARYING
AGES DURING THE YEAR 1956

Disease	0-1	1-2	2-	3-	4-	5-	10-	20-	35-	45-	60-	Total
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	-	-	3	1	5	25	6	-	-	-	-	40
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enteric Fever :-												
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Para-typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

INFECTIOUS DISEASES continued.....

Disease	0-1	1-2	3-	4-	5-	10-	15-	20-	35-	45-	60-	Total.
Pneumonia	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	3	4	12
Whooping Cough	3	5	5	1	15	1	-	-	-	-	-	30
Measles	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	4	9
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	2	1	-	-	6
Acute Para.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis:Non-para.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal Meningitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS

NEW CASES AND MORTALITY DURING THE YEAR 1956

Age Group.	<u>NEW CASES.</u>				<u>MORTALITY.</u>			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
15-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
25-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
45-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
	1	1	2	2	1	-	-	-

SEWAGE WORKS.

In general the position remains unsatisfactory, the same as that obtaining during the past few years. No new work has been undertaken and, in consequence, as I have indicated previously, much remains to be done in the District.

All the up to date plants have worked satisfactorily during the year.

HOUSING.

During the year there was again, unfortunately, a reduction in the number of houses built by the Council -- 16 as against 45 in 1955 and 86 in 1954.

These, with their numbers, were built in the following villages :- Chelmorton 6, Youlgrave 4, and Calver 6.

Private building accounted for 19 houses, the same as last year, the villages and numbers being :-
Over Haddon 1, Rowland 1, Hathersage 4, Great Longstone 4, Baslow 1, Little Longstone 2, Ashford 1, Tideswell 2, Curbar 1, Calver 1, Froggatt 1.

The programme under slum clearance was continued during the year.

WATER.

During this year a large part of the Area Water Scheme mains were put into service. In April the new pumping station at Grindleford started to deliver water from the Derwent Valley aqueduct to Ladywash Reservoir for distribution to Bradwell, Eyan and those villages originally supplied from the Abney, Camphill and Mag Clough sources. The springs at Highcliffe, Eyan continued to be used.

The pumping station at Taddington also began to take water from the new Middleton Common Reservoir and to supply the parts of Flagg, Chelmorton, Monyash and Hartington Middle Quarter, which previously had no piped supplies. Brushfield and Blackwell received supplies of water for the first time. It was possible to maintain a continual supply of water at Chelmorton and Taddington during the summer by augmenting the springs with water from the new mains. Eventually at Taddington itself the spring supply was eliminated leaving only Priestcliffe Ditch with hard water. The parishes of Aldwark and Ivonbrook Grange were supplied with water from Shot House for the first time.

Almost the entire village of Stanton-in-Peak was transferred from a private supply to the new mains. Parts of Birchover and Elton were transferred from the Shot House supply to the new mains and Derwent Valley water.

The springs supplying Earl Sterndale dried up during the summer and water had to be pumped from the river for a short time. At Bradwell the springs and dams at Deadmans Clough were taken out of service and all water being supplied comes from Ladywash, Eyan.

Considerable progress was made in the elimination of stand taps in villages where owners of property agreed to connect to the mains. Altogether during the year the whole aspect of the District changed with regard to water supply as figures for connections made to the mains show. A total of about 360 were made and of these 221 were connections to existing houses.

FACTORIES ACTS 1937 & 1948.

INSPECTIONS OF FACTORIES - 1956.

Premises

Number of :-

	<u>No. on Register</u>	<u>Inspections</u>	<u>Written Notices</u>
1. Factories in which sections 1,2,3,4, & 6 are enforced by the Local Authority	5	9	1
2. Factories not included in (1) in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	77	91	7
3. Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	-	-	-
TOTALS	82	100	8

There were no prosecutions.

CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

		Found	Remedied	Referred :-	
				To H.M. Inspector.	By H.M. Inspector.
Want of Cleanliness	(S.1)	6	6	-	1
Overcrowding	(S.2)	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	(S.3)	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	(S.4)	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	(S.6)	-	-	-	-
<u>Sanitary Conveniences</u> :	(S.7)				
a. Insufficient		3	3	-	1
b. Unsuitable or defective		2	2	-	1
c. Not separate for sexes		1	1	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to outworkers)		4	3	-	-
TOTALS		16	15	-	3

F O O D.

Inspections of Meat slaughtered in the six licenced slaughterhouses during the year 1956.

	CATTLE	SHEEP	PIGS	CALVES
Number Inspected	544	2060	35	11
<u>Disease other than T.B.</u>				
Whole carcasses condemned	-	3	-	-
Part or organ condemned	70	4	-	-
% of no. inspected condemned	12.87%	.34%	-	-
<u>T. B. Only</u>				
Whole carcasses condemned	1	-	-	-
Part or organ condemned	24	-	1	-
% of no. inspected infected	4.59%	-	2.86%	-

NUMBER OF CATTLE INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED
DURING THE PAST SIX YEARS.

Column Nos. 1-3	under public slaughtering at the Government Slaughterhouse, Bakewell, years 1951, 1952, 1953 respectively.						
Column No. 4	under public slaughtering at the Government Slaughterhouse, Bakewell, 1st. January to 30th. June 1954.						
Column No. 5	at the six licenced slaughterhouses in the district, period 1st. July to 31st. December 1954.						
Column Nos. 6 & 7	at the six licenced slaughterhouses in the district, during the years 1955 and 1956 respectively.						

Column No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No. of cattle inspected	1208	1277	970	313	278	486	544
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than T.B.	27.32	30.93	34.23	40.89	15.46	9.47	12.87
Percentage of the number inspected infected with T.B.	27.32	30.21	23.71	29.39	20.50	9.47	4.59

The Annual Report of the Public Health Inspector
is appended.

I remain,

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

HUGH G. WATSON

Medical Officer of Health.

29th. November 1957.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR 1956

BAKEWELL RURAL DISTRICT.

R. E. R. Davies, Public Health Inspector.

Estimated Population : 18,930 Estimated No. of houses : 6,325

GENERAL SANITARY ADMINISTRATION.

						<u>No. on Register</u>		<u>Inspections Made.</u>
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	20
Dairies	...	...	...	...	...	26	...	50
Factories and Workplaces			...	...	...	82	...	100
Ice Cream Premises		...	...	...	...	104	...	118
Milk Distributors		...	...	...	...	28	...	52
Moveable Dwellings	a)	Sites	...	...	...	14	...	29
	b)	Dwellings	...	...	...	51	...	59
Outworkers	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Preserved Food Stores	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	72
Shops	...	...	...	...	...	268	...	112
Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	426
Knackers Yards	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	4

SAMPLING.

					<u>No. Taken</u>		<u>Results</u>
							<u>Sat.</u> <u>Unsat.</u>
Milk by Food & Drugs Authority					-	-	-
Water	a)	Mains			-	-	-
	b)	Other Sources			1	-	1
	c)	Swimming Baths			1	1	-

WATER SUPPLIES.

							<u>Estimated Population Involved</u>
No. of houses in District connected to mains	...	5,985	....	17,890			
No. of houses in District supplied from standpipes on mains	...	60	....	181			
No. of houses in District not supplied from standpipes or mains	...	280	....	859			
No. of connections made during the year :-							
a) Existing Houses	...	221	....	671			
b) New Houses	...	35	....	-		
c) Other Premises	...	106	....	-		

DRAINAGE.

						<u>Estimated Population Involved</u>
No. of houses in District connected to sewer	...	3,711	....	11,108		
No. of houses in District not connected to sewer	...	2,614	....	7,822		
No. of connections made during the year :-						
a) Existing Houses	...	2	....	6		
b) New Houses	...	22	....	-	
c) Other premises	...	1	....	-	
No. of conversions of other closets to W.C.'s	...	83	....	-	

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR continued....

HOUSING.

New houses erected during the year by :-

a) Local Authority	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
b) Private Enterprise	...	...	...	...	...	...	19
c) Other authorities	...	...	...	...	...	...	0

No. of dwellings inspected for housing defects under the Public Health or Housing Acts	193
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No. of dwelling houses found not to be in all respects fit for human habitation	71
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No. of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	53
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No. of dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of action (formal or informal) by the Local Authority	65
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No. of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	17
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No. of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	7
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No. of dwelling houses in respect of which undertakings were accepted	26
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No. of premises in respect of which Closing Orders were made	5
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No. of dwelling houses in respect of which applications for Improvement Grant have been made during the year	28
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No. of dwelling houses in respect of which Improvement Grants were approved by the Local Authority	28
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No. of dwelling houses "improved" during the year	25
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No. of Improvement Grant applications approved and subsequently withdrawn	2
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Signed

R. E. RONALD DAVIES

Public Health Inspector.

29th. November 1957.

